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May 17, 2017

Mr. Joe Kunzler  
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Dear Mr. Kunzler:

This letter responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated March 2, 2017, wherein you request all comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for EA-G "Growler" airfield Operations at Naval Air Station, Whidbey Island complex, in webform, mailed in, and official government body comments. You also request all photos taken by U.S. Fleet Forces staff, or their contractors, at DEIS public meetings held in December 2016.

Your FOIA request was processed under applicable provisions of the FOIA statute, as amended, and the implementing Navy Department directive (SECNAVINST 5720.42F). After a review of the responsive records, it was determined that certain portions of those records remain exempt from disclosure under the following FOIA exemption:

5 USC 552(b)(6): information in personnel and medical files, as well as similar personal information in other files, i.e. names, social security numbers, home addresses, email addresses, phone numbers, etc., that if disclosed would result in a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy of an individual.

Enclosures (1) and (2) are CD-ROM discs containing the releasable portions of the responsive records, and are provided in response to your request.

In this instance, the fees associated with the processing of this request were below the minimum threshold and have not been assessed. Please be advised, however, that fees, fee categories, and fee waivers are determined on a case-by-case basis, and a previous determination has no influence on future determinations.

Because your request has been denied in part, you may appeal this determination, in writing, to:

Office of the Judge Advocate General  
Department of the Navy  
Attn: FOIA Appeals, Code 14  
1322 Patterson Ave, SE, Ste 3000  
Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066

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Your appeal must be received within ninety (90) calendar days from the date of this letter. A copy of your initial request and this partial denial letter must accompany the appeal. The appeal should be marked "FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT APPEAL" both on the envelope and the face of the letter and should contain a brief statement of the reasons you believe this initial decision to be in error.

For this determination, you have the right to seek dispute resolution services from either the DoD Navy Component FOIA Public Liaison, Mr. Chris Julka, at christopher.a.julka@navy.mil, (703) 697-0031; or by contacting the Office of Government Information Services (<https://ogis.archives.gov/>), ogis@nara.gov, (202) 741-5770.

I am the person responsible for this determination. Please contact my FOIA Action Officer Ms. Linda Alvers at (757) 836-3630 or by e-mail at linda.alvers@navy.mil if you have any questions regarding your request.

Sincerely,



W. M. RAFKA

Commander, U.S. Navy

Director, Fleet Public Affairs

By direction of the Commander

Encl: 1. Public Comments (Redacted)  
2. Photographs

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Case file  
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